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## 86 Tobacco Retailers Recognized For Compliance Awards

(Clearfield, Utah) – The Davis County Health Department and local law enforcement

agencies have been running a program to reduce underage access to tobacco in some cities since 1989.

The following Davis County retailers have been awarded certificates of recognition for not selling tobacco products to minors. Stores that have been in compliance for 20 years include: Sinclair Main Street Service of **Layton** and Saigon Market of **Sunset**. Stores in compliance for ten years or more include: Smiths of **Farmington** and 7-Eleven (Main) of **Kaysville**. Five-year compliance awards went to Rite Aid, Smith's Marketplace, and Hardy Enterprises (Main) of **Bountiful**; Smith's Fuel Center of **Farmington**; RB's, and Walgreens of **Kaysville**; Rite Aid of **Layton**; Top Stop of **North Salt Lake**; Smith's, and Smith's Fuel Center of **Sunset**, and Walgreens of **Syracuse**.

Stores that were checked for tobacco compliance from July 2010 - June 2011 and did not sell to an underage buyer received a one-year award:

- **Bountiful:** Common Cents, Fresh Market, Hardy Enterprises (500 S.), Maverik

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(Main), Maverik (200 W.), Slim Olson's, Smith's Fuel Center, Smokey's, and Walgreens.

- **Centerville:** 7-Eleven, Maverik, Fresh Market, and Top Stop Chevron.
- **Clearfield:** 7-Eleven, Circle K, Ekonocar, Maverik (State), Maverik (700 S.), Maverik (300 N.), RB's, Smokey's, Smoke & More, JP's Super Stop, Super Stop Texaco, Walt's, and Winegar's.
- **Clinton:** Déjà Vu, Walgreen's, and Wal-Mart.
- **Farmington:** Top Stop.
- **Kaysville:** 7-Eleven (200 N.), Fresh Market, and Top Stop.
- **Layton:** 7-Eleven (Main), 7-Eleven (400 W.), Anwar's, Bonus Star Mart, Circle K, Hardy Enterprises (Highway 89), Nine Star, Fresh Market, Maverik (400 W.), Maverik (Gordon), Maverik (Main), Maverik (Highway 193), RB's One Stop, Ream's, Smith's, Smith's Fuel Center, Smoke Shop Plus Hookah, Smokey's, Triple Stop (Highway 193), Triple Stop (Gentile), and Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market.
- **North Salt Lake:** Flying J, Hardy Enterprises (Orchard Drive), Hardy Enterprises (Highway 89), Maverik, Neighbors Market, Walker's Chevron, and Winegar's.
- **Sunset:** 7-Eleven, and Sunrise Enterprise Inc.
- **Syracuse:** Maverik, Smith's, and Smith's Fuel Center.
- **West Bountiful:** 7- Eleven (1100 W.), Super Stop, and Super Stop Texaco.
- **Woods Cross:** 7-Eleven, and Slim Olson's.

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From July 2010 - June 2011, 452 attempts were made by underage buyers supervised by local law enforcement to purchase tobacco products, according to Davis County Health Department director Lewis Garrett. “Of those 452 attempts, 25 resulted in an illegal sale of tobacco to a minor for a county buy rate of 5.5%,” he said.

“I’m pleased with the recent downward trend from last year when it was 9.2%. We’re down significantly from our high of 14% we saw for the July 2006 – June 2007 timeframe,” he said. “We conduct a very robust program aimed at educating tobacco retailers how to train their clerks to identify underage buyers and it’s still showing good results,” Garrett said.

“I extend my congratulations and appreciation to the management and staff of those retailers who work hard to keep tobacco products away from underage teens,” he said.

Sale of tobacco products to a person under 19 is a Class C Misdemeanor on the first offense. Clerks are issued citations at the time of the violation. In addition, storeowners are subject to civil penalties for sale of tobacco to an underage buyer. Stores receive fines for the first two violations and a 30-day tobacco license suspension on the third violation. Upon the fourth violation within a 12-month period, the store’s license to sell tobacco will be revoked. A store’s fine may be reduced if they have a documented training program and proof that their employee was trained.

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